

### **REMARKS**

Applicant has carefully reviewed and considered the Office Action mailed on April 11, 2006, and the reference cited therewith. This first reply is being filed within three months of the mailing date of the Non-Final Office Action.

The limitations of allowable dependent claim 62 are included into claim 1, and **claim 62 is now cancelled**. The limitations of allowable dependent claim 129 are included into claim 37, and **claim 129 is now cancelled**. The limitations of allowable dependent claim 65 are included into claim 38 and claim 80. The limitations of allowable dependent claim 114 are included into claim 113, and **claim 114 is now cancelled**. The limitations of allowable dependent claim 126 are included back into claim 125, and **claim 126 is now cancelled**. Thus, claims 62, 114, 126, and 129 are cancelled. New claims 133-136 are added to further claim the described invention. New claims 133-136 are supported previous claim 80 and the original application. No new matter is added. As a result, claims 1-5, 7, 9, 13-22, 37-61, 63-87, 91-113, 115-119, 121-125, 127-128 and 130-136 are now pending in the present application. The total number of claims remains the same. Please charge any required fees, or credit overpayment to Deposit Account number 502931.

### ***Claim Rejections – USC § 102***

Regarding Section 2 of the April 11, 2006, Office Action: Claims 1-5, 9, 16-22, 37, 38, 42-49, 53-58, 80-84, 87, 91-95, 99, 106-113, 117, 118, 123-125, and 132 were rejected by the Examiner under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Goldner et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,982,132; hereinafter “*Goldner et al.*”). The limitations of allowable dependent claim 62 are included into claim 1, and claim 62 is now cancelled. The limitations of allowable dependent claim 129 are included into claim 37, and claim 129 is now cancelled. The limitations of allowable dependent claim 65 are included into claim 38 and claim 80. The limitations of allowable dependent claim 114 are included into claim 113, and claim 114 is now cancelled. The limitations of allowable dependent claim 126 are included back into claim 125, and claim 126 is now cancelled. These claims, with the additional limitations, are not anticipated by *Goldner et al.* for the reasons expressed by the Examiner in Section 7 of the April 11, 2006, Office Action.

Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection and an early indication of allowance is respectfully requested.

***Claim Rejections – USC § 103***

Regarding Section 4 of the April 11, 2006, Office Action: Claims 7, 39-41, 50-52, 59-61, 97, and 98 were rejected by the Examiner under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over *Goldner et al.*” Applicant respectfully traverses, since Applicant believes these claims as a whole are not obvious. These dependent claims, with the limitations added to their respective independent claim as described above, are not obvious in view *Goldner et al.* for the reasons expressed by the Examiner in Section 7 of the April 11, 2006, Office Action.

Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection and an early indication of allowance is respectfully requested.

***Allowable Subject Matter***

Regarding Section 5 of the April 11, 2006, Office Action: Claims 13-15, 62-79, 85, 86, 96, 100-105, 114-116, 119, 121, 122, and 126-131 were found allowable over the prior art of record.

Claim 71 is independent, and was found allowable. Therefore, reconsideration and withdrawal of the objection to claim 71 and the respective dependent claims is respectfully requested.

The limitations of allowable dependent claims were included in the rejected independent claims, as described above. Therefore, the remaining dependent claims appear allowable over *Goldner et al.* for the reasons expressed by the Examiner in Section 7 of the April 11, 2006, Office Action. Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of the object and an early indication of allowance is respectfully requested.

**CONCLUSION**

Applicant respectfully submits that the claims are in condition for allowance and notification to that effect is earnestly requested. The Examiner is invited to telephone Applicant's attorney Charles A. Lemaire (952-278-3501) to facilitate prosecution of this application.

If necessary, please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account Number 502931.

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